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DATELINE

American Business Women's Association to meet

LA MESA—The American Business Women's Association, ABWA, Valle del Sol Charter Chapter, invites all working women to its monthly meeting on April 13 at 6 p.m. at the Olive Garden Restaurant located at Grossmont Center, in La Mesa. For more information, contact Carol Burns at 390-1155. Lita McDonald will discuss the "Wise Woman/Wise Man Decision-Making Process".

The mission of ABWA is to bring together women of diverse backgrounds and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition.

Weekend weather relatively dry – but not for long

Rain showers that drizzled, and sometimes poured, water onto East County cities will give way only briefly to somewhat dry weather before becoming damp again, perhaps as early as Sunday, a National Weather Service spokesman said Wednesday.

A decreasing chance of showers Friday will lead to partly cloudy weather Saturday and slight warming, with lows in the forties and daytime temperatures in the seventies.

Prepare for the possible return of rain again later on Sunday, when clouds will thicken and temperatures will fall.

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Lemon Grove mulls possible sewer hike

■ *Fees could be increased per household from $169 to $269*

By Cheryl Cohen
Correspondent

The Lemon Grove Sanitation District has begun to hold meetings to consider proposed sewer rate adjustments for its customers. The plan is to increase annual fees per household from $169 to $269, a 59 percent increase.

At the town hall meeting on March 11, City Engineer Chuck Stuck showed cracks and other damage to Lemon Grove sewer lines by means of an in-line video camera. He explained that where pipes are damaged, sewage percolates or leaches into the ground. Conversely, during heavy rains ground water seeps into the sewer pipes.

The district last raised sewer rates in 1992. Since that time, the city of San Diego, which treats Lemon Grove's sewage, entered into a $1 billion dollar capital improvement program for its sewer treatment facilities.

This was as a result of a suit by the EPA, forcing San Diego to treat sewage to a level that would not harm the environment. Over $800,000 in facilities still need to be put into place to satisfy the lawsuit.

San Diego is complying with the court order, but the result is that treatment charges from San Diego have increased each year. A portion of the district reserve monies ($4 million) built up for maintenance and replacement of the sewer mains has been used for the last two years to pay part of the increased sewer charges instead of raising sewer fees to each homeowner. About $400,000 remains in uncommitted reserves.

Consultant Karyn Keese from the Keese Company said that as there are no other sewage treatment plants that Lemon Grove sewage can flow into, there is no alternative but to use San Diego's treatment facility. Staff recommended using a state-financed, low-interest loan to raise the monies necessary to maintain reserves and keep homeowner costs to a minimum. However, the board was reticent to use a loan to handle the problem.

Consultant Karyn Keese of the Keese Company.

Instead, they decided to meet capital improvement needs on an annual pay-as-you-go basis. "We've been using reserves to stabilize rates and not paying enough attention to what was happening in San Diego," said Mayor Mary Sessom. "To go into debt to dig out of a hole is counter-intuitive and I would like to pursue a zero-interest loan." Such loans are possible, if the board can prove they have 30 percent of the borrowed amount available for emergency capital improvement construction contracts. The board also asked for staff to come up with a mechanism which would prevent funds from being spent on other projects.

Also during the meeting, the board directed staff to come back to them on April 20 with a resolution for the formation of a Joint Exercise of Powers Authority (JPA) which when formed, would unite 12 agencies from the cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, Otay Municipal Water District, Padre Dam Municipal Water District and the County of San Diego in an ambitious schedule to replace the Agencies for Fair Rate Decisions (AFFORD) in 1995.

The new agreement will result in more participating agencies, input regarding design, construction, scheduling and finding issues for the $1 billion Ocean Pollution reduction Act (OPRA) required capital improvement program. Previously, the city of San Diego acted unilateraly in all of these issues.

The city of San Diego has been financing close to 100 percent of the OPRA projects with bonds, but they are nearing the limits of its bonding capabilities. With bond sale proceeds, the JPA could allow significant spikes in the construction costs to be spread out so that Lemon Grove's sewer rates could rise with more uniformity.

Each city that uses these facilities must pay its share of these increased costs, and so far, every other community in the district has already raised their rates to customers. Participating agencies have been active in fighting higher costs from the city of San Diego, and Stuck said everyone in the group is watching to make sure they continue to keep maintenance costs down.

The meetings are to allow everyone the opportunity to hear staff presentations and to ask questions of staff and the consultant about the sewer rate issues. A public hearing and one board meeting have already been held, with scant attendance. The second board meeting is scheduled for April 20 and a third will be held on May 4. All meetings begin at 6 p.m., and are held in the Lemon Grove Community Center, 3146 School Lane in Lemon Grove.

City department head resigns

By Cheryl Cohen
Correspondent

Linda Niles, Lemon Grove's community development director, has resigned effective April 23, and has accepted the position of Planning and Community Development Director for the city of Del Mar. Beset with problems of conflicting direction between the former city manager and the city council, she is the latest in a chain of resignations by city staffers.

She was caught by surprise when council voted against efforts to raise development fees last year, after several public hearings and countless changes to the proposal. Niles said her direction to work on the immense project was directed by former city manager, Doug Young Although she stated that the fee fiasco was not the reason for her resignation, she admitted, "Information was given to me that wasn,t necessarily the case. It happened other times during my tenure."

Niles, whose work in Lemon Grove started in September of 1997, said that her decision to leave was made with great difficulty. "I have grown very fond of this great group of people. They have such a wonderful opportunity to make their city just exactly the way they want it," she said. Niles will be missed, said Mayor Mary Sessom.

"Planners are like engineers; they're very educated and can get very technical," she said. "Linda is one who uses all that knowledge more creatively than any other planner I've ever known."

Fast food, an unhealthy routine?

By Jason Williams
Correspondent

Whether you eat fast food once a month or every day, you are falling into what most health experts call an unhealthy routine that has many Americans trapped.

Amy Brown, an adjunct professor in the Department of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences at San Diego State University says one-third of the country eats out at any given meal, spending $1 billion dollars a year on fast food.

It doesn't, however, have to unhealthy. Having worked at length with people trying to lose weight and eat healthier, Brown discovered the best way to help people take on a more health conscious diet is not to tell them what they can not eat, but to tell them what they can. Brown spells it all out in her new book, The Fast Food Freeway Guide.

While Brown admits everyone is going to die someday, the difference in when that day will come can be decades for those who are aware of what they put into their bodies during meal time.

Brown said fast food is high in salt and low in all the things that help prevent cancer: fiber, vitamins, minerals and phyto-chemicals, which are found in fruits and vegetables.

Most fast foods are saturated with fat, which increases the risk of cancer and heart disease.

Children have become fast food advertising targets as chains such as McDonald's spend millions on playgrounds and Burger King mails its Kid's Club magazine to millions of potential customers.

Fast food corporations are scrambling for the hottest meal toys and the latest marketing scheme which places fast food outlets directly onto school grounds.

Brown said when kids are asked where they want to eat, 85 percent of them select a fast food restaurant. The risks are high and there is little practicality in giving up the convenience of fast food altogether, so the next best thing is to know what to eat, and how much, and in turn hold on to the accessibility of fast food and leave the health risks behind.

"Health is the primary concern," said Brown, "but the motivation is going to be looking better."

There are three sources for calories in food: protein, carbohydrates and fats. Calories in fats are higher, but only 30 percent of our calorie intake should come from fats. Increased consumption of fats and calories leads to obesity. One in five children are considered obese, and one in three adults. About 76 percent of Americans are not obese, but are overweight and dangerously close.

Brown said people who are obese are at an increased risk of having high blood pressure, heart disease, certain cancers, gout, arthritis and respiratory diseases. Obesity is the most common nutritional problem for American children today — a problem which brings with it habits which continue on into adulthood.

In her book, Brown outlines what she calls "Sizewise" meals. These meals are based on the minimum number of calories our bodies need to perform our daily activities and stay healthy.

The numbers are different for men and women because men possess, in general, more muscle mass than women. More muscles burn more calories.

Women require at least 1,200 calories and 45 grams of fat a day, whereas men require 1,800 and 75 grams of fat. A sizewise meal then breaks down into 400 calories, 15 grams of fat per meal for women and 600 calories, 25 grams of fat for men.

To provide an example of what a sizewise meal looks like, here is an excerpt from Brown's book:
If a man and a woman were eating at McDonald's, the woman could order a grilled chicken deluxe and a garden salad for a total of 385/5, and the man could order a grilled chicken deluxe and a lowfat bran muffin for a total of 600/8. Both of these are without a soda. McDonald's extra-large 44-oz. coke is equal to 468 calories, and the truly health-concious will have to give up fries as well which weigh in at 540 calories and 26 grams of fat. To make the healthy meal effective, wash it down with tomato juice, Gatorade, homemade lemonade or just water.

This may not sound like much of a meal, but to contrast it with the more appetizing menu items, such as the Jack in the Box Bacon Ultimate Cheeseburger which has 1,150 calories and 89 grams of fat, it is easy to see how a fast meal can become a fast pound.

"It may not seem like all they need, but it is," said Brown. "We are psychologically trained to eat more. Some are meals and some are what I would call snacks."

In consideration of all the cutting, minimum amount of calories does mean minimum. Brown said you can't cheat the body, and you will probably binge later to make up for the lost calories.

" The body's first concern is to stay alive and if you don't give it enough for survival, it will fight back," she said. "It is not a matter of will power, it is biology."

Brown's book shows exactly what to eat with no counting or calculating required.

Grossmont students to be honored for academic achievement, service

EL CAJON—Dozens of Grossmont College students will be surprised when they are awarded monetary scholarships and recognition based on academic achievement and service. The awards will be presented at the 37th annual Scholarship and Service Awards Ceremony on April 30 at 6:30 p.m.

The Business and Professional Studies Division, the Communication and Fine Arts Division, the Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences Division and Mathematics, Natural Science and Physical Education Division will each honor the student chosen by their division with a $500 award. Selected students have distinguished themselves academically, displayed leadership skills and performed significant campus or community service. Individual disciplines within each division will also honor the top student in their discipline with a certificate of achievement.

The Associated Students of Grossmont College sponsors the event. They will recognize contributions made by the officers of their organization. The Man and Woman of Distinction awards will be given to two students who have provided leadership and service to the college through involvement in student government, campus clubs or intercollegiate sports.

The 100 plus achievement awards and scholarships were made possible by donations from area service clubs, campus organizations, individuals and corporations.

Integrated pest control book available

DAVIS — The University of California Statewide Integrated Pest Management Project has finished updating its book, Pests of the Garden and Small Farm: A Growers Guide to Using Less Pesticide and has made the book available to the public.

The book stresses management of agricultural pests through such non-toxic alternatives as biological controls, resistant varieties, traps, barriers, and changes in cultivation practices.

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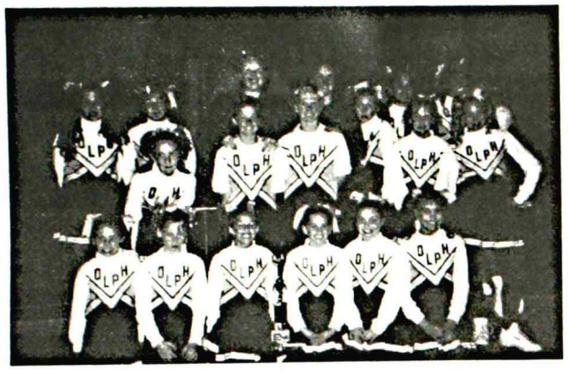

Lakeside's Our Lady of Perpetual Help took first place at the 20th annual Magic Mountain cheerleading competition in Valencia, California. See story in Sports on page 10.

East County roads among SANDAG's planned 20-year list

By Joe Naiman
Correspondent

The San Diego Association of Governments included a number of East County projects when the 20-year needs assessment was released March 26.

The project list was in response to Senate Resolution 8, part of a three-bill transportation package in the California State Senate which directs the California Transportation Commission to work with Caltrans and regional agencies to prepare a ten-year transportation needs assessment. SANDAG opted to include longer-term needs in the event of a chronological expansion. The California Transportation Commission, which was ordered to prepare its needs assessment by May 10, requested an initial round of needs inventory information by April 5. It is also expected that Governor Davis will establish a proposed infrastructure commission which will include development of transportation infrastructure needs information. The completion of Highway 52 to Highway 67 is one of the largest needs, but improvements to Highway 52 also include widening the section between Interstate 15 and Highway 125 from four lanes to six.

Interstate 8 is planned for widening from four lanes to six and eight between Highway 67 and West Willows Road in Alpine, although that project is earmarked for the Fiscal Year 2011 to Fiscal Year 2020 period.

Highway 67 will be widened from four lanes to six between Prospect Street and Mapleview Avenue over the next ten years. Other near-term plans for Highway 67 are to provide an interchange at Mapleview and to widen the conventional highway portion from the San Diego River to Pala Street in Ramona from two lanes to four lanes.

The missing connectors at Highway 94 and Highway 125 will be completed and Highway 94 will be widened to eight lanes over the next ten years. In the long term 94 will be converted from a conventional highway to a full freeway east to Millar Ranch Road and widened from a two-lane highway to a four-lane highway between Millar Ranch and Lyons Valley. The road will also be widened by two lanes to Otay Lakes Road. The freeway portion of Highway 54 between Interstate 805 and Highway 125 will be widened from four lanes to six in the first ten years. In the 2010-2020 time period the portion from 125 to 94 will be converted into a six-lane expressway. The portion from 94 to Hillsdale will be converted into a four-lane expressway in the second decade while the portion between Hillsdale and I-8 will be turned into a six-lane expressway. Over the next ten years Highway 125 between routes 54 and 94 will be widened from four lanes to six and in the second decade of the 21st century high-occupancy vehicle lanes are planned between I-8 and Highway 52. Extending Highway 125 to Poway Road is also scheduled for the 2010-2020 frame.

Mass transit projects for East County include a bus operations center and extension of the Mission Valley East trolley line in the next ten years.

Bill Tuomi, SANDAG's Manager of Transportation, stated the needs assessment was based on Caltrans and the SANDAG 1996-2020 Regional Transportation Plan adopted in December 1996. The preliminary project information will be refined during the next several months, and SANDAG intends to develop a 1999-2000 Regional Transportation Plan.

Controversy surrounds fence at Grossmont field

By Celeste Merigan
News Editor

LA MESA—Young soccer players and their parents were surprised to find 75 ten foot poles cutting one of their favorite soccer fields in half a few weeks ago.

"I was taking my daughters to practice at the field between Grossmont High School and Harry Griffen Park, where we have played for years, and there were these poles cemented in the field," said Ginger Hartnett, wife of the American Youth Soccer Organization Regional Commissioner, Gary Hartnett.

The next week, the poles were connected by chain length fencing, delineating the area commonly known as the "Girls's softball field". The fence also cuts in half one of the four soccer fields utilized by the 2200 AYSO soccer players in the Region 89 district.

"It takes away 10 percent of our field space," said Don Allen, whose two daughters play soccer in the region. "It's not our only field, we are using 10 fields spread throughout the La Mesa area, but with 6 or 7 games there each Saturday, it represents a good portion of our fields."

No one seems to know why the fence was built, or who ordered the construction. In the past, a temporary fence was constructed during the softball season to create the outfield line. The fence was taken down and soccer play resumed. The field is also used by the Grossmont High School band and football teams for practice.

The field is not owned by the Grossmont High School District, but rather through a joint powers agreement between five municipal entities. In 1979, the City of La Mesa, the County of San Diego, the City of El Cajon, the Helix Water District and the Grossmont Union High School District formed the "Joint Powers Agreement for the Development, Operation and Maintenance of Harry Griffin Park."

Allen sent letters to all the principals in the steering committee for the park, saying " this fence displays a blatant disregard for our community's needs at large. I believe the only conscionable action your committee can take on this issue is to order the removal of the fence."

Allen said that he has only had one reply from the mayor of the El Cajon City Council, Mark Lewis, who said he had received the letter and would forward it on the appropriate person.

The high school district does retain the title to the property, with the stipulation that the District agrees to allow use of the field as a regional park.

AYSO pays annual fees for use of the field, along with others in La Mesa, through a contract with the City of La Mesa, said Hartnett and they also make large donations to the Grossmont Union High School.

"We had a soccer tournament at the field on Labor Day and donated $500 to the school," she said. "In the past we have donated $500 to $1000 to their different youth programs."

The soccer organization also recently spent over $7,000 redoing the grass on the fields.

"We want the fence taken down and the school needs to pay for the removal of the fence and repairs to the field," said Hartnett.

The AYSO Region 89 has developed other fields in the area, most recently at Lemon Avenue School, where they developed a little league field and a soccer field. There will be opening day celebrations at those fields on April 16.

"We would like to develop more fields at Harry Griffin Park, but the residents adjacent to the park seem to be very reluctant about having the area used for soccer," said Hartnett.

In the April issue of the "Soccer net" the AYSO newsletter, Gary Hartnett urged people to attend the April 19 10 a.m. meeting of the steering committee at the Helix Water District office.

"I have asked to be on the next Joint Steering Committee meeting agenda to be held April 19 at 10 a.m. ...considering the shortage of open field space in La Mesa, I feel a tragedy has occurred with this loss of the Grossmont High School field," wrote Hartnett.

Calls to the city of La Mesa, the Grossmont Union High School District, and the Helix Water District were not returned before press time.

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EDITORIAL

Above and beyond...

So-called activists on both sides of the border have, predictably, once again seized on the recent tragic deaths of migrant workers — and, let's not forget, that of an agent in the prime of life — to criticize U.S. Border Patrol in print and on the air, for its "murderous tactics" on the U.S.-Mexico border.

Just as predictably, this begs the question of the migrants' personal responsibility for their own lives and that of the Mexican government for the lives of its own citizens. We also can't help but wonder if the people whose lives were saved by those same "murderous" agents would have the same comments to make.

This newspaper was on scene Friday morning when agents assisted rescued migrants — inside a blanket-draped vehicle to ensure privacy — to remove sodden clothing and shoes so they could be warmed with dry blankets and chemical heat packs. We were there when agents made chairs by liking their hands so they could carry the blanket-wrapped men from the four-wheel drives that carried them out of almost certain death in snowy canyons and place them in a heated transport van.

We were there when those same agents shielded the bodies and faces of the migrants from public view and cameras so they could maintain privacy and dignity.

And those migrants that were lucky enough to have been rescued by the murderous agents will — with full knowledge of the possible consequences — try the border again next week. They know they are breaking the law. They know it's wrong. But they will do it again. Let these activists look to the conditions in Mexico for someone to criticize – and those conditions are the responsibility of a government that receives billions of dollars in aid to improve the lives of its citizens and it fails to do so

And they leave, in the thousands.

This newspaper will take its shots at the powers-that-be, up to and including the U.S. Border Patrol, when it's warranted. We've done it before and we'll do it again. But fair is fair.

Agents perform their jobs as they're told to — and often do their work in a way that is well above and beyond. They did it Friday.

And they'll do it again.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Commendable...

Editor:

It's commendable that Mayor Sessom is calling for action for a new library ["M is for Mayor," March 18 issue, Lemon Grove Review]. To say "over 50 percent of our residents voted for Proposition L" should not be construed to mean the remainder are anti-library.

I argued against Prop. L because of the unneeded tax increase.

I'm certain the city has (or had) the resources for a new library. Looking ahead, the city just needs a financial plan and the discipline to implement it.

Visionaries are a dime a dozen. Even I can have a vision. The city needs to gets its financial house in order and priortize a budget that will benefit the taxpaying residents. Otherwise, visions are fantasies.

I trust this is in the spirit of the mayor's column.

Jack Moore
Lemon Grove

Constraints of Fanita Ranch

Editor:

SANDAG traffic analysis predicts that 63 miles of San Diego's Freeway system will have "peak hour congestion of one to three hours." SR-52 is predicted to be at gridlock without any additional cars from Fanita Ranch. Yet, Santee has the opportunity right now to prevent 6,000 vehicles and 34,000 vehicle trips per day from ever congesting city streets or SR-52 by conserving Fanita Ranch at no cost to Santee taxpayers. By utilizing the Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund and partnering with a major Land Trust, the royalties form offshore oil revenue could permanently conserve Fanita Ranch and provide Santee with a 2,589 acre open-space park.

Santee has no control over growth in surrounding areas and how it impacts our streets, but we do control our own land use destiny. Mayor Dale would have you believe that more units, with more cars, plus more lanes = less congestion.

Not so. Even if the Mayor's math added up briefly, growth in surrounding areas would fill any increased capacity on SR-52 and we would still be stuck with the 34,000 vehicle trips from Fanita Ranch ruining Santee Lakes, ruining existing neighborhoods, congesting Mast Boulevard and Town Center. Santee City Council and staff continue to be blinded by a desire to develop.

They are sincerely troubled by the impacts of this project, but refuse to think outside the box. They continue to look at old style non-solutions to growth (more lanes, new signals, new roads, more parking - toss in a library or a pool).

They rationalize the non-pursuit of acquisition: "The $6.2 million sales price in 1997 really doesn't approximate the value." "Appraisals are speculative," etc. They throw out arbitrarily high figures and suggest we "get realistic."

Yes, let's get realistic. Its time to acknowledge the geographic constraints of this land that are hostile to development. It's time to recognize that we can create a city of winners with acquisition. There are many

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COMMENTARY

The last of the great energy crises

By Joe Naiman

The steep increase in gas prices we have seen in recent weeks isn't the first time the cost of gas has escalated sharply. But it may be the last.

We've been through this before. The energy crises of 1973-74 and 1979 brought the price of gas to unprecedented levels. The recent gas hikes are in part due to temporary shortages stemming from refinery closures and in part due to OPEC and other oil exporting nations reaching agreements on limiting production to keep prices steady.

But a 50-percent increase in a matter of weeks causes consumers to consider conservation methods.

In the past, we have adjusted our lifestyles to reflect increased gasoline costs. Automakers increased the fuel efficiency of cars, trips were combined and many recreational activities were curtailed as unnecessary. Some of those conservation measures became learning experiences which were retained after the shortages ended, while others were temporary cessation of activities which were resumed when economic times got better.

Some conservation attempts just weren't feasible. The Air Pollution Control District's attempts to reduce commuter trips in the early 1990s fell victim to erratic work schedules, inefficient mass transit routes from homes to workplaces, employees too remote from each other to justify carpools, and day-care trips which made anything other than a single-driver commuter impossible.

That was all in the past. In 1973, computers were something on science-fiction shows. In 1979, "the net" was where basketballs were supposed to go. In the early 1990s, networking innovation meant what was on Fox Television.

There were also recessions during those times. In a tight job market, an employer can get away with telling an employee what to do. There weren't many job openings for employers who wanted to telecommute.

Now, not only has telecommuting been made easier, but a stronger job market makes employers more competitive. The advantage of telecommuting may mean the edge between one employer and another. It's not just commuters who will be adjusting their lifestyles, but many companies will also need to allow employees to work out of their home or risk losing them to a rival who offers cheaper travel costs.

Unfortunately, the workers hit hardest by the increased gas prices such as waitresses, janitors and sales clerks, will never be able to work at home. But many employees, especially those who would have the greatest choice of jobs, can decrease their commute to zero.

Some prefer an office environment for various reasons. But when you experiences the chance to take five-minute breaks through-

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COMMENTARY

Anti-smoking fascists and more

By Greg Eichelberger

With two recent events, the anti-smoking fascists are continuing to attempt to overthrow a legal and profitable (for now) industry. But the methods used are questionable at best and ludicrous at worst and show an alarming trend of denying us our free agency in choosing what we want for ourselves.

The first was the placement of a billboard ad at the corner of Broadway and Second Street in El Cajon showing the grizzled face of entertainer Sammy Davis, Jr. The caption reads, "He took our breath away. The tobacco industry took his."

The sign was another brainchild of the California Department of Public Health, the same people who spent millions for such TV advertisements as the "raining cigarettes on the playground" spot and others. It's not the message I have a problem with, however. I do not smoke. I have never smoked. Even before I joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (whose Word of Wisdom condemned tobacco in 1833), I've never even DESIRED to smoke. I think it's a dirty, disgusting and expensive habit.

My beef is portraying Davis, Jr., who died of throat cancer on May 16, 1990 at the age of 64, as some kind of helpless, hapless victim. The man smoked for over fifty years, that's a fact. In many of his films and TV appearances, he is seen with a cigarette in his hand. The one thing I DIDN'T see was a gun pointed at him, forcing him to take a few drags off of it. He made a choice to smoke and he suffered the consequences. To make it look like he was, along with ALL smokers, idiotic dupes, is beyond contempt.

Then, just a few days later, news reports of another long-time addict (well, actually the addict's WIFE) suing Philip-Morris and winning an $81 million settlement REALLY pushed me over the edge. Evidently, like Davis, Jr., the man had puffed away for decades before succumbing to cancer. Of course, seeing the recent piling on of the industry, lawyers (it ALWAYS seems to stem from lawyers) persuaded the greedy widow with tales of untold wealth if she brought civil action. Even more amazing, a jury bought the whole "victim" thing, dismissing the dead man's personal choice to light up to three packs a day for over 40 years. Saying that her husband would "never have smoked if he knew it was harmful," the wife (who I'm sure is grieving all the way to the bank) just drove the point home to the brain dead panel, who were obviously so overcome with ridiculous emotion that they eagerly threw $81 million at her and her advocates. Maybe they were just bad at math, figuring the man was "too young" to have heeded the Surgeon General's warning (first uttered in 1964) about the dangers of tar and nicotine. After years of trying to get people to quit because THEY were stupid, the anti-tobaccites are now painting these people as completely unwitting saps who knew nothing of the risks they took, totally under the Svengali-like control of the evil tobacco companies. Of course this is nothing new. Since 1992 the politics of victimization have triumphed everywhere, making it impossible anymore to be held accountable for one's own actions, just look at the recent Senate impeachment trial for proof of that.

The bottom line is, smoking is a free choice people make. Once made, it should not be used later as a tool to get money, which is what this whole thing was about, anyway. As for me, I am anxiously awaiting the family of a heart attack victim to win a multi-million dollar lawsuit against Sara Lee. Now THAT should be a hoot.

Have an opinion?

ECCN is looking for guest commentaries from local residents. If you have a beef about something, local or otherwise that may be a little wordy for simply a letter to the editor, call us about the possibility of writing a guest commentary.

We welcome any subject that would be of interest to our readership. The editor may be reached at 448-8989. Or drop us a note at P.O. Box 1089, Alpine, CA, 91903.

Anyone sending us a commentary, as with letters, *must include* their name, town, and telephone number for verification.

PG PERSPECTIVES

Daylight Savings Time: An evil concept

By Phillip Giannangeli

Twice a year I have this urge to find me a national politico and lash him/her to a tree. Tie em up good and tight and say, "You're not going to get loose until you either change this foolishness or explain it to me without laying the blame off on farmers with cows or school kids riding busses. I'm tired of this stupidity!" The Great Stupidity I'm referring to is this darn clock business that befalls us every spring and fall. You may think there are many other Great Stupidities that these folks should be held accountable for, but I place this spring ahead, fall back one far out in front of all the others. I believe that this changing of our clocks twice a year to comply with some outdated agricultural notion of some impossible-to-alter bus schedules is one of the most evil concepts around. Cows won't explode because of late milking and school bus schedules can be adjusted so youngsters won't have to stand in he dark waiting for a bus to come along. Of course, we need politicos who can understand these way complicated ideas.

So, we must respond now. This exercise in madness is leading our country into national disgrace. The millennium is practically approaching. Do we want to carry this idiocy over for another thousand years? I think not! It's time we start organizing for next fall's assault and vow to make it mankind's' last foray into this foolishness. It's our body clocks we're talking about folks! The only ones we have and we can't continue to abuse them. Therefore, I would like to propose that we begin a campaign of resistance. A campaign to let those who pass our laws know that we're as mad as...(you know the battle cry). We will need to make our campaign simple, remember who we are dealing with, but we need to have an impact. Here are some actions that we as individuals can take.

Make an appointment with your congressional representative and show up to the meeting an hour late, explaining that you got mixed up and thought it was Standard Time. Now I'm not really sure if you should be an hour early or an hour late because I get mixed up on this kind of calculation, but perhaps you can get together with some friends and figure it out. The important things is to screw your representative over by inconveniencing him/her.

Invite your congressional representative to a local meeting telling him/her that there will be lots of people there. Arrange it so the representative arrives to an empty hall and inform him/her that you're sorry but everybody left because they were all operating on a different time while the congressional person was obviously on another. So sad. Write a letter to your representative. Explain, in simple language, why you want us to have one time throughout the year. Don't use big words and you may have to draw a picture of clock to make your point.

I like the idea of lashing a representative to a tree, but if we do all that, there won't be enough of them to go around.

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out the day and have the laundry done before the evening, take care of some matters while still in your pajamas, to grab breakfast at your leisure instead of rushing, be able to spare your car for repairs, be home for repair people or technicians immediately, avoid travel during stop-and-go traffic, and all the other benefits of working at home, that lifestyle will survive the latest gasoline shortage.

Many of the measures undertaken during previous gasoline shortages were sacrifices. Some businesses may consider working at home a sacrifice, but for employees, telecommuting is a fringe benefit like health benefits and retirement plans which will be a factor in considering jobs.

When that happens, there will be an ample supply of gas but not the consumption for it. Since oil producers care about revenue rather than price per se, oil prices will drop to encourage buyers. The prices will likely drop to below what they were before the rise in prices began.

If the oil producing countries haven't learned their lessons and are planning their own lifestyles on future revenue expectations based on the increase price of gas, they'll soon find themselves in the same recessions and indebtedness which occurred after gas prices dropped in the past. This often creates a cycle, as in order to obtain more revenue they must sell more oil and gas prices will fall even more.

But when even low oil prices won't lure workers out of their homes, the end will be in sight for oil cartels. This latest round of price hikes could be poetic justice for Americans who have had their pocketbooks gouged.

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ways to conserve Fanita Ranch, but it only becomes an "acquisition priority" for a conservation entity if we seriously pursue it. Don't tell us we can't, when we know we can. It is the will of the City Council that is lacking.

Van K. Collinsworth
Director, Preserve Wild Santee

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B WORDS

I remember Max

By Bob Burns

As a family of new immigrants to Lemon Grove, we had some trepidation's. Opening a new Veterinary hospital on a shoestring, amid total strangers, was frightening. One of my first contracts was the Editor, and I guess most of the staff of the local newspaper, Max Goodwin. I wanted to take out a small ad in the paper to announce the opening of my Veterinary practice. I was greeted warmly and my modest bit of advertising was well handled. In addition, Mr. Goodwin suggested that I provide a picture and that he would run a piece on the arrival of Lemon Grove's second Pet medical facility. I scurried around, borrowed a friend's dog and had a picture taken with my little daughter Sheila holding it on my exam table.

I can think of no one who was kinder to us, and more helpful in those early days of the Lemon Grove Veterinary Hospital and our long and happy time here where the best climate on earth exists. Of course were many, many who helped us along the way, and who we treasure as friends, both human and animal.

Max was special. He introduced me to Kiwanis, now some 44 years a member. he brought me in contact with the leaders and the followers of the community. His wry humor and sage advice helped me to get involved with the many organizations that I have long enjoyed. He was fervent in the desire that we incorporate. he got me involved in the second campaign shortly after arriving in town. He got me to run in that election and get the second highest votes in a field of 26 candidates. The election failed, but the impetus was begun for what we now know as a city of 22 years.

I have heard it said that Max only published the paper so that he could qualify for a press pass at sports. I don't know if that was really true, but do know that at every single sporting event that we attended, he was in the press box. He was also very gracious in taking friends along at times. I have been his guest ringside at the fights, in boxes at football games, baseball, Hockey and the Golden Jock award ceremonies. Max was everything in the Lemon Grove Review. His shop looked like a shambles at times, but it was fun to visit with him and keep up on the town gossip.

Lastly, I remember the story about his crashing the small plane on a hill above Palm Springs, Especially, because just two weeks prior to that event I rode with him in that same plane to that same luncheon destination. My timing was better than his other passengers.

We all will miss Max Goodwin, who was truly Mr. Lemon Grove, and we are all the better for having known him...God Bless You Max...

Crime Log

March 5, 1999
3100 blk. Lemon Grove Ave. Vehicle burglary.
7500 blk. Broadway. Stolen vehicle.

3500 blk. Columbus. Stolen vehicle.
7400 blk. Daytona. Residential burglary.
7700 blk.Lan

Single parent workshops offered

EL CAJON—Single parents will learn new strategies to change their lives at the 9th annual Single Parent Conference on April 16, in the Quad at Cuyamaca College. The college's CARE and New Horizons Single Parent programs will present the conference.

The daylong event, "Changing Times/Changing Strategies,"begins with registration at 8 a.m. and concludes with door prizes at 2 p.m. Keynote speaker is Doris Ng, Staff Attorney with San Francisco-based Equal Rights Advocates, at 9 a.m., followed by workshops beginning at 10 a.m., then a free lunch and Resource Fair. The second set of workshops begins at 12:30 p.m.

Workshops planned include: Show Us the Money-Where and How to find the High-wage Jobs; How to Act Like Adult While Parenting; Parents and Children Challenged by Learning; CalWORKS Updates and Images; Training and the University Degree; and Self-sufficiency Planning.

The workshops and lunch are free to pre-registered attendees. Participants will take home a resource notebook of information to promote the success and well being of single parents and their children.

For conference information and to register, call 660-4288.

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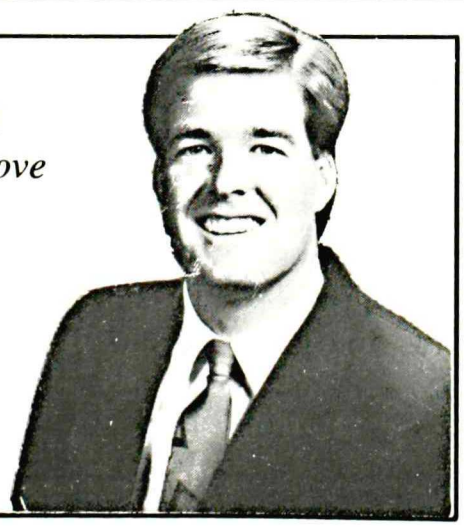

Spring Valley real estate broker sentenced

By Neal Putnam

SPRING VALLEY—A federal jury deliberated only three hours last week before convicting a Spring Valley real estate broker of 12 felony counts of mail and bankruptcy fraud and conspiracy to defraud homeowners who paid fees in a feeble attempt to save their homes from foreclosure. The broker's attorney blasted what she called "a very hasty decision" by the jury.

Judy Scharnhorst Brown, 49, will be sentenced on July 6 by U.S. District Court Judge Napoleon Jones, Jr., who allowed her to remain free on $35,000 bond. Assistant U.S. Attorney George Aguilar did not ask for Brown to be remanded to jail at the end of the trail, which began March 16. She could lose her real estate broker license.

"It was a hastily arrived decision, unfair in terms of the time they spent and in the result. They decided this way too quickly," said Brown's attorney, Kerry Bader. "They (jurors) were supposed to do their job. There was no due process. She's not guilty of this. She didn't cheat any of these people."

"She could get years and years, but hopefully she won't. There will be a number of appeals arising out of the case," said Bader.

Although each count carries five years in federal prison and $250,000 fine, Aguilar said Brown faces about two years because of federal sentencing guidelines. Aguilar said the crimes "represent an assault on the integrity of the bankruptcy court system." Aguilar said the amount of victims' losses attributed to her involvement was about $45,000.

According to testimony and court records, Brown sent postcards to homeowners whose foreclosure notices were published in legal ads in newspapers. Bader said Brown turned the homeowners' names to co-defendant, Richard Lunt, 45, of Beverly Hills, and Lunt persuaded homeowners to sign over an interest in their property to someone else, who later declared bankruptcy. Promissory notes were signed, but they were not legitimate, said Aguilar. The homeowners paid fees ranging from $800 to $1,000, and were told portion of these monthly payments would go to pay the mortgage holders as part of refinancing their debt.

"All of the homeowners lost their homes, except for one who repurchased their home at a premium," said Aguilar.

Brown's attorney described the homeowners as "not victims", saying, "they knew exactly what they were doing." Bader said the homeowners which included a doctor, a banker, two engineers, a landlord, and another real estate agent, "knew their property was going into bankruptcy," by the person to whom they deeded part of their house.

Brown's attorney said her client's "business relationship (with Lunt) lasted 10 months" in 1994. Bader said Brown and Lunt had al;ways talked on the phone and they never met each other until after they were indicted by a federal grand jury on 14 counts in Feb., 1998.

The prosecutor said some homeowners questioned the methods in the scheme, but were told it was legal. "A couple of homeowners testified it sounded suspicious," said Aguilar.

Lunt was set to be the prosecution's last witness, but he didn't show up to testify, according to Bader and court records. Lunt pleaded guilty Jan. 5 to conspiracy and he will be sentenced on June 1. He remains free on $75,000 bond. Two mail frauds counts against Brown were dismissed during the trial. She was found guilty of eight mail fraud charges, three bankruptcy fraud counts, and one conspiracy charge.

Lemon Twist

By Cheryl Cohen

Those other awards — You know how Lemonite Jack Ofield is always winning those Emmys for his production work over at SDSU? Well, maybe in the next batch of "The

Short List," he could include "The Sewer Show," now playing all over town!

Produced by City Engineer Chuck Stuck, it's a wild story about corrosion and leaks, a plot that's filled with enough twists and turns to keep everyone amused. It's a laugh riot, and if you have any doubt, just see Jack Moore's review in the Review a coupla weeks ago! The pre-release party was March 11, where "Dapper" Chuck (winner of this year's Annual Tasteful Tie Award) gave us our first peek at some of the seediest lines

Lemon Grove has to offer - all filmed with the amazing Sewer Cam! Repeat performances will be at 6 p.m., April 20 and May 4 at a Community Center (or, if you,re really unlucky, a toilet) near you!

You'll laugh, you'll cry! SEE homeowner after homeowner come to the podium to plead with city council, as though it would do any good. FEEL the shock of thousands of taxpayers who have been paying the same sewer rates since 1992, when they wake up to the horror of property tax increases and the heartbreak of *sewer rehabilitation*! It's no wonder that Dick Hennis gives this one two big flashlights up!

Was anyone surprised at the winners of The Lemon Grove Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Awards? I didn't think so. If you wondered why the event was held on foreign soil, so did I, but I just figured it had something to do with NATO, given the timing and all. Anyway, the winners were: Boll Weevil of Lemon Grove (Favorite Place to Belch Cold Beer and Eat Like a Pig while Watching Dueling Televisions Award); RCP Block and Brick (The Business That Moved Ever So Slightly Award); Lemon Grove Plaza (Leased Space to the Same Fabric Store Most Times Award); Councilman Craig Lake (Longest Campaign Award);

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Trustee Sale No. 980543 Apn No. 479-160-42 Notice Of Trustee's Sale. You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated ——— Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceedings Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. On 04/14/99 at 11:00 A.M. Action Foreclosure Services, Inc. as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded on 09/10/98 as Document No. 1998-0574373 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of San Diego County, California, executed by Jerry Allen Ross, as Trustor, Vicki Ross as Beneficiary will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this State of California.) at: Main Entrance, Scripps Bank Building, 7817 Ivanhoe Ave, La Jolla, Ca 92037, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California, describing the land therein. As more fully described in the Deed of Trust hereinabove referred to. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7380 Central Avenue, Lemon Grove, Ca The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to wit: $29,998.35 Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances if any will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Date: 03/19/99 Action Foreclosure Services, Inc. as Trustee 7817 Ivanhoe Avenue, Suite 300 La Jolla, Ca 92037 (619)551-8855 By: Sheri L. Sonndgerath, Vice President C294649 3/25, 4/1, 4/8 1999

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Gary Cass
Clerk of the Governing Board
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Congratulations goes out to the Monte Vista roller hockey team for claiming their third consecutive San Diego County title last Friday at the Wayne Gretzky Center, defeating a tough Scripps Ranch squad, 5-3.

SportsBeat
By Greg Eichelberger

A big hand also to the county's number one baseball team from the same school, who, at press time, had a 14-2 record. The Monarch recently defeated two top teams, including Notre Dame (Sherman Oaks), the number one school in the San Fernando Valley, in a double-header. "Good things are happening for us right now," said coach Mark Smelko of his defending CIF champions. "Different people are stepping up at key times."

Some of those people include Chris Daigle, Drew Albritton, Ken Salmon, David Lutz, Sean Hall, and Dustin March, among others. While granting them due praise, we also recognize the squads at Helix (#7) and West Hills (#8), as well as Christian, Granite Hills, and Valhalla who are all close to making the local top ten chart themselves. A school that has done well in the past, El Capitan, just participated in the Adidas-Charley Rose National Prep Baseball Classic in Scottsdale, Arizona. Unfortunately, they lost their first contest to the Scottsdale Huskies, who were 11-1 and ranked number one in the state. Santana, West Hills, and Helix are numbers eight, nine and ten, respectively, on the girls softball survey, while Valhalla could appear there in the near future.

By the time most of you read this, the Padres will have already played a game in Monterey, Mexico and two at QualComm/Jack Murphy Stadium (at least they didn't go to CUBA). What kind of year will it be? I'm no Kreskin, but with a shortage of decent starting pitchers, I don't expect them to win the division as easily as 1998. I do believe they will be a tough team, and that they will fight to defend their National League title, but it will be tough.

We'll see.

Auto racing fans, including Joe Naiman, were disappointed last Saturday when the 1999 season-opener at Cajon Speedway was rained out, along, perhaps with many an Easter celebration. The big news here is that El Cajon's Randy Nelson, who has participated in the NASCAR Winston Truck Series and the NASCAR Winston West Series, and recently racing in the Florida Dodge Dealers 400 in Homestead, Florida and the Coca-Cola Thunder Special in Motegi, Japan. Ironically, Nelson, who will be driving in the modifieds, has NEVER competed in front of his hometown fans.

The San Diego Gulls bounced the hapless Bakersfield Fog/Condors, 10-1 last Friday to move onto the next play-off round against Phoenix. The next home game will be tomorrow night (Friday) at the Sports Arena.

El Cap's track and field standout, Dan Ames, whom we wrote about last week, overcame an injured shoulder to take the gold in the shot put and discus at the recent Sweetwater Relays. Including the UCLA-bound Ames, the Vaqueros currently posses five of the top 17 shot-putters in San Diego County; Wayne Hassey, John Stokes, Travis Asch and Mike Proctor. El Capitan's Kendra Rhea also won two events, the high jump (5') and the shot put (36' 4"), while Justin Hunter of Monte Vista won the 110 hurdles in 15.31 seconds.

Little League seasons are starting all over the area. I'm looking for parents, coaches, kids, officials to drop me a line and tell me about someone special they think should be recognized in this column, or maybe even a full story. A child who, despite the odds, has made a big impact, a long-time manager of league administrator, it doesn't matter, as long as it's local (Alpine, El Cajon, Lakeside, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, Santee, or Spring Valley).

As usual, I can be reached at 390-2975 (or you can E-mail ikeforum@juno.com), with ANY piece of SPORTS information, no matter how trivial. After all, EVERYONE has a story to tell, I'd just rather have it be for OUR paper, that's all. Until then, have a great week.

Lakeside cheerleading squad may have chance at national glory

By Greg Eichelberger

Lots of hard work, a dedicated coaching staff, parental support and dogged determination have propelled a tiny Lakeside Catholic school into the forefront of Southern California cheerleading, and perhaps given them a chance at nationwide glory.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, a parochial academy with only 215 students located on Lakeshore Drive, shocked bigger and better-funded squads in taking first place at the 20th annual Magic Mountain cheerleading competition, medium (10-13 members) division. And what makes the story even more amazing, 11 of the participants have had no previous cheer, dance , acrobatic or gymnastic experience.

"It was fabulous," said eight-year head coach Mary Van Fossen, who led her charges to a 10th-place finish in 1998. "My highest expectations were to come in sixth in the Magic Mountain tournament, since only the top six are allowed to compete on the main stage. That's all we were shooting for this time."

In an ironic East County twist, last year's champion at the same venue was a team from Tierra del Sol Middle School, also in Lakeside, an area not necessarily noted for it's prowess in this particular activity. One reason for the victory may have been the number of difficult, high school level routines performed by the OLPHer's. But, then again, with two former West Hills cheerleaders, Collette Goodridge and Becca Dubrouis, assisting Van Fossen, it was a natural, and thrilling, evolution from the elementary flips and splits normally performed at this age.

"It's simply a matter of making up your mind to do whatever you want to do," said Van Fossen, who began coaching the team when her daughter was in sixth grade. "I'm a big believer in positive thinking, and that's what these kids had on their side. None are any more talented than those on other squads, but each KNEW they could succeed-and they DID."

Composed of girls (and two boys) between the ages of nine and 14, most of which are also on the Honor Roll, the team was competing against schools that have 800-1000 students. The only drawback was that once they won and qualified for the nationals in Orlando, Florida, they were unable to obtain funds from the church to actually get there. But winning at Magic Mountain was just as special for the kids.

"I had a lot of fun," said 10-year old fourth-grader Brittany Boyce, who's been involved in performance art and dance for several years. "I especially enjoy the gymnastic routines we do. It's also fun to be with your friends. I'm going to keep doing it as long as I can."

A schoolmate, Jeremy Gruber, 14, was a bit reluctant to join a sport dominated by girls, but now has no such regrets.

"This was my first year being involved with competition cheer," he said. "It's not as easy as I thought it would be. It takes a lot more strength than I imagined-but it was so much fun I didn't want it to end. "The part I liked best was being on stage and practicing the routine 'til it's perfect. It felt great to win two times!"

He also added that he will probably join an All-Star team and cheer at El Capitan High School next year. Other members of the squad included Cynthia Gonzales and Erica Reilly (fourth grade); Lisa Wilkins, Desi Vargas, Kelly Barratt (fifth grade); Julie Mattas, Jannelle Deason, Kaycee Gerhart (sixth grade); Amanda Griel, Katie Barratt, Mireya Vasquez, Patti Sprecco, Jennifer Tamplin (seventh grade): and Nick Boyce (eighth grade). Two other East County programs, in addition to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, have made names for themselves in this category, as well. Greenfield Middle School took first at Disneyland (OLPH came in third), while Hillsdale Middle (both located in El Cajon) took first in the large division (14-20 members) at Magic Mountain.

Yoon makes it big at the U of Nev.

SANTEE—She learned most of her golf at Carlton Oaks Golf Couse, under the watchful eye of head professional Rex Cole.

She is Angie Yoon, San Diego county girl golfer of the year in both 1995 and 1996, and one of the all time best in local junior golf history.

She led the 1998 University of Nevada (Reno) ladies golf team by winning two tournaments, the Aldila Classic at Carlton Oaks, and the Northridge Women's Classic at the La Purisima Golf Course.

She shot 78-74-71 in the Aldila, and 73-76 in the Northridge.Because of her superior play last fall, Yoon was named to the 1998 All-Big West Conference first team, despite the fact she was only a freshman. She was fifth in the conference championship.

A personal highpoint in her career was a second place in ladies national Public Links championship in 1997.

"Agnie is a complete player, she has all the shots. She is an excellent driver of the ball and top-notch iron player," said Carl Laib, her coach.

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WEEKENDER

'Blues For An Alabama Sky' lets the good times roll

By Diana Saenger
Weekender Editor

With sass, fun, and many laughs, an energized and terrific cast highlights a story of life in Harlem during the great depression of the thirties. Superbly directed by Seret Scott from Pearl Cleage's play, this vignette of five friends sparks with charm, great dialogue, and realism.

Most flamboyant and gathering many of the laughs is Glenn Turner as Guy, a gay costume maker who dreams of moving to Paris to make costumes for Josephine Baker. Brenda Pressley is heart wrenching and soulful as Angel, a night club singer who has trouble hanging onto her men and her jobs.

The neighbor, Delia, played by Elisa Davis, is a social worker hoping to start a family-planning clinic in Harlem. Delia meets and falls in love with Guy's friend Sam (Michael Genet), the local doctor and let-the good-times-roll man. When Delia convinces him to assist her in setting up the clinic, he announces, "I've been waiting all my life to fall in love."

Leland (Joe Latimore) is a "good ol' boy" from the South looking for a job. He falls for Angel, who looks like his deceased wife, and promises to deliver her from her unpredictable lifestyle. But promises are made to be broken.

The lives of these colorful characters are spun among hopes, dreams, and real moments of truthfulness about life's adventures. Whether or not Guy gets to Paris is the source of angst built up throughout the play. "Guy's a dreamer: always has been and always will be," says Angel. Brenda Pressley, her voice full of sassy and soulful joy, sings some wonderful tunes during the play.

Catch *Blues For An Alabama Sky* (for mature audiences only) and let the good times roll.
Old Globe Theatre, Cassius Carter Centre Stage, now through May 9, 239-2255.

COMING SOON...

Your weekly guide to area entertainment and events

CALENDAR April 8

"WWII Through Russian Eyes," is at the **Municipal Gym and Exhibit Hall** in **Balboa Park**, now-July 4. 239-4859.

UCSD San Diego International Film Festival, now-June 4, 25 films, 534-0479.

UCSD Theatre and Dance presents the West Coast Premiere of *The Interview*, a family drama, April 7-11, 534-4574.

College Avenue Baptist Church presents Ben and Jonathan Burchfield in concert, April 11, **4747 College Ave.**, free, 582-7222.

Bill Silva Productions presents Rufus Wainwright, April 14, **The Center**, 3909 Centre St. N-Sync, April 15, **Cox Arena**. Jeff Beck, April 16 SDSU. 220-TIXS.

Lamb's Players Theatre presents *Busman's Honeymoon*, a classic mystery, April 16-May 23, 1142 Orange Ave., Coronado, 437-0600.

Lakeside Western Days Community Fair, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce's Western Days parade and the Lakeside Rodeo, will feature bands, food and entertainment. April 17, **Lindo Lake Park, 443-6033.**

Coors Amphitheatre presents "The Black Crowes and Everlast," April 26. John Mellencamp, May 9. **Coors Amphitheatre, Chula Vista**, 220-TIXS.

The second annual insect fair at **Quail Botanical Gardens** features nature walks, bug experts, crafts, bug-eating and raffle prizes, April 23, 24, 25, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. **230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas**, (760) 436-3036.

'A trip back to high school'

'Never Been Kissed' spotlights Drew Barrymore

Suzanne Hannover

Drew Barrymore and David Arquette star in *Never Been Kissed*

By Diana Saenger
Weekender Editor

The likelihood that Drew Barrymore has never been kissed, or that she's a high school student, may seem remote for the 24-year-old actress, but she makes herself believable in her role in this film.

During an interview in a Beverly Hills hotel suite, Barrymore showed little evidence of the genes of Hollywood's greats, grandfather John Barrymore and uncle Lionel Barrymore, flowing through her veins.

Today the popular star, who won acclaim for her performance in *E.T.* is busy promoting awareness of sex education and raising funds for the Wildlife Waystation. One of the dogs she has rescued accompanied her to the interview. "I rescued Flossy and her brother Templeton from a flea market," Barrymore said. "Templeton is very rebellious, but he's coming out the other side."

Like Templeton, Barrymore is a survivor of her own teen rebellion who has come out on the other side with fine performances in many films, such as *Ever After* and *The Wedding Singer* last year, and she seems to have found a balance of discovery in *Never Been Kissed*. She plays undercover reporter Josie Geller, who must go back to high school to report on teen life today. Although *Never Been Kissed* takes place in a high school, the movie is not just for teens: "There's the theme of trying to fit in and figure out what you want out of life. It's the ugly duckling (to) swan theory that works in your work or life," Barrymore said, "It's what's inside you, not your exterior that's important."

In the vein of John Hughes' films, *Never Been Kissed* explores a balance.

"It has dark moments of pain and yet great humor, and those elements in life make you a better person," Barrymore said, pulling on a strand of her blonde hair, "It's Cinderella-ish. It's about taking the odds against you and finding your own strength to succeed."

Michael Vartan (*The Pallbearer, Myth of Fingerprints*) plays the romantic lead, Sam, a teacher who is attracted to Josie but hampered by the fact that she's a student. He brings a real freshness to the cinema screen and promises to go far in the future. He and Drew make a great on-screen couple.

Currently not in a romantic relationship, Barrymore claims to be having the time of her life.

"I go places by myself and hang out with friends and it's wonderful," she said, "I'm happier than I've ever been in my life." And why shouldn't she be since she's never been kissed.

MOVIE REVIEW

"Never Been Kissed"
— Rated PG13 Drugs

B

The Alpine Sun Rating
A — F
Great— Really Bad

Cast: Drew Barrymore, David Arquette, Michael Vartan
Director: Raja Gosnell
Studio: 20th Century
Family Rating: Rated PG-13 Drugs. Sex-related material

DINING GUIDE

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Twist

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D&M Welding ("Let Me Just See if I Have This Straight" Award); Bob Holaday (But It Was My Turn To Be President Award); Ilse Hanning (1999 Undersung Heroine Award); Edward & Sandra Burr of EDCO Disposal (You Don't Need No Stinkin' Alarm Clock, John Wood Award); and last but not least, Mary England herself (Might Slice You to Ribbons With These Nails If I Don't Take Home a Plaque Award). but perhaps the biggest award went to San Diego County Supervisor, Dianne Jacob, who mistook award candidate and Lemon Grove Community Contributors/Activists, Little Darlings Nude Cabaret for a JOKE. Dianne snagged perhaps the most coveted (Foot In Mouth Flippancy Award). Congratulations to all of this year's winners!

Speaking of winners, the votes are in — The official flag of Lemon Grove with 20 big votes, was entry (A), the one with the same logo you see around town everywhere anyway *yawn*. Entry (B) got four votes, and (C) came in with only one vote, and the Monkey Flag and my very own
entry, the 99-cent flag, came in at ZERO votes. Thanks to all who cared,
all 25 of you. (Hey, that's one per thousand residents, right?)

Say, take a break from the election (or any other war) by sending *The Review* all your press releases and news stuff, or get it directly to me at 619-264-3153 (Msg.), 264-4180 (Fax), or e-mail me at cirious@cts.com. Don't forget to check my own personal site at www.geocities.com/SoHo/5062, where the news *not* fit to print can be
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MORE LETTERS

Age...

Editor:

Could it be that age is catching up with the grey hair of your reporter Cheryl Cohen or is she just being coy? For all of us regular readers of the Lemon Grove Review, all we have to do is read the past couple of months copies to see who is running for mayor.

LET THE GAMES BEGIN and THEY ARE OFF AND RUNNING, both come to mind when I read our mayor's column or your newest column "Craig Lake's letters to the editor". All I can say is good luck, Mary England, she'll either come out the winner or get trampled in the process.

And as for the yellow billboards, put them up and down the highway if only they would take that hidious ROCK 105 billboard down that is on the Lemon Grove Ave. exit. I know alot of people in this town that could relate to that postision but we don"t need to let ever motorist driving by our town know it .

ANITA DITGES
Lemon Grove

An answer...

Editor:

My letter to the Editor on the record of Councilman Lake's minority votes on the city Council (March 17,) was an answer to Mayor Sessom's complaint that his minority votes, votes where his was the lone voice in opposition to an accepted project, were not in the best interest of the citizens of Lemon Grove.

My research indicated the opposite; proved that it would have been better by far for the city to have abandoned Mayor Sessom's lead and followed Craig Lake's. My research also turned up situations where the Mayor's minority vote on several city matters were against the City's interest and I would like to share them with you. The matter of the Lemon Grove Historical Society's request for funds to repair the building where the Society meets. Needed were repairs to an old leaky roof, to broken and nonworking windows, for electrical upgrading, etc.

Needed was a grant of $14,000 so that the non paid volunteers working in the City's interest could do so in safety.Mary Sessom's was the sole vote in opposition.
Lake's motion carried 4-1 and the grant and the resulting work has been highly praised by all (well, almost all).

Balance this use of the City funds against a pet Sessom project, freeway beautification with colorful planting of freeway-adjacent Cal-Trans property. This attractive display in the area of 94 and Lemon Grove Avenue must be for the aesthetic enjoyment of La Mesa and El Cajon residents on their hurried way to and from work since three quarters of Lemon Grove residents will never see it.

This project carries a price tag of 20 to 30 thousand dollars annually for Lemon Grove for the cost of watering, weed abatement and maintenance.

One time $14,000 for good reason vs $30,000 for what? In the face of Sessom's desire to raise permit fees for the Lemon Grove business community; 700% (!!) in some instances, Lake's motion to lower fees was accepted and gave encouragement to the need to attract new businesses to rent our empty stores and helped already established businesses.

Going back to November of 1997, Sessom pushed for funds to pave a parking lot rather than assist the school district which needed funds to install temporary trailers for classroom space. Parking lot lost, school district won.

LEO BODIN
Lemon Grove

Trauma nurse injured while rendering aid to accident victim

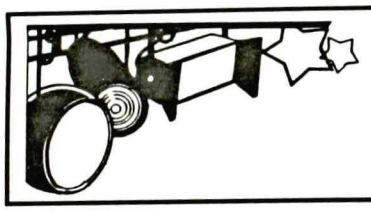
LAKESIDE — A trauma nurse who stopped to help a driver in a freeway car accident Tuesday was hit by another motorist whose skidding vehicle followed her fleeing figure across the pavement, "...like she was a magnet," said Officer Gwen Goodwin of California Highway Patrol.

Kelly Griffin, 40, of Leucadia, with her husband, was eastbound on I-8 just west of Los Coches Road when she saw a westbound vehicle collide with a semi truck and overturn, Goodwin said.

Griffin, a trained trauma nurse, pulled into the center divider and both she and her husband got out and started over to Clemens' vehicle to render aid.

Gary Clemens, 57, of El Cajon, in a Chevrolet Tahoe sport utility vehicle, in the westbound side, saw the confusion caused by the accident, hit his brakes, and began to skid toward Griffin and her husband, Goodwin said. The couple split up and ran in different directions, as the SUV bore down on them.

"She ran and kept running...it just kept coming at her...and ran over her," Goodwin said.



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